

REICH SURRENDER RATIFIED IN BERLIN

Japan Next, Truman Vows

PARIS, Wednesday, May 9 (UP).—The unconditional surrender of Germany was formally ratified and confirmed at a historic ceremony in bomb-torn Berlin last night a few hours after President Truman and Prime Minister Churchill had proclaimed V-E Day in proclamations to their peoples.

Moscow said the final surrender terms were signed in Berlin yesterday by Col. Gen. Wil-

helm Keitel, chief of the German High Command; Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, representing Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, and Marshal Gregory K. Zhukov, commander of the First White Russian Army.

Also present for Germany, Moscow said, were Col. Gen. Hans Juergen Stumpf, chief of the Luftwaffe, and Gen. Adm. Hans Georg Friedeburg, new commander of the German navy.

Moscow said that Gen. Carl Spaatz, chief of the American Strategic Air Forces in Europe, and Gen. Jean de Lattre de Tassigny, commander of the French First Army, also attended.

The war ended officially at 6:01 a.m. today with Germany's complete unconditional military surrender. It marked the dawn of a new era in Europe.

President Mikhail I. Kalinin, President of the Soviet Union, ordered today to be celebrated as Victory Day to mark what he called "the victorious completion of the great patriotic war of the Red Army against the German invaders and the historic victories of the Red Army ending with the complete defeat of Hitlerite Germany."

Churchill proclaimed a two-day celebration in Britain beginning yesterday with the second day to be devoted to hailing the Red Army.

President Truman, at the White House, and Churchill, at No. 10 Downing St., announced the end at 3 p.m. yesterday (9 a.m. EWT).

Both said emphatically that Japan remained to be beaten. Both pledged that the gigantic power of the victorious nations would be turned against that cruel enemy.

DRESDEN FALLS

Marshal Joseph Stalin of the Soviet Union announced the capture of Dresden and towns in Czechoslovakia in continued fierce fighting.

The Czech patriot radio station in Prague said in mid-evening that Czech representatives were leaving to negotiate unconditional surrender of German formations in their area.

The German High Command last night broadcast an order to all its armed forces to stop fighting at midnight. It said that destruction of war material or scuttling of ships was forbidden.

Such destruction was forbidden by the terms of the military surrender which German plenipotentiaries signed at Reims at 2:41 a.m. Monday.

SURRENDER TERMS

Allied Supreme Headquarters issued special communique No. 8 announcing the surrender under terms which became effective at 12:01 a.m. today. The terms bind the German High Command:

1—To surrender unconditionally to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower and the Soviet High Command all forces on land and sea and in the air.

2—To order all military authorities and forces to stop activities at 12:01 a.m. and

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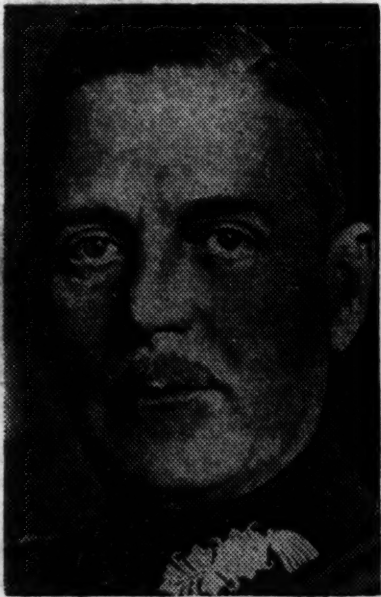
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ALP FAVORS COALITION WITH DEMOCRATS

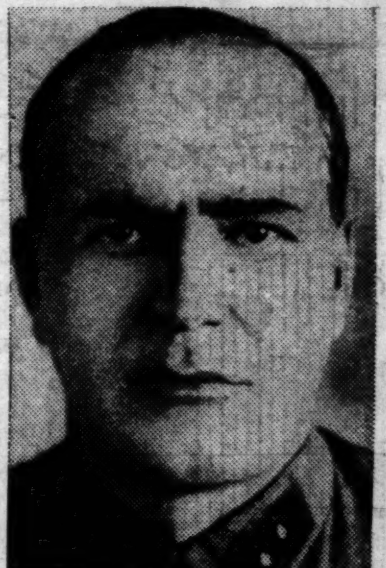
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GEN. KEITEL



MARSHAL ZHUKOV



AIR MARSHAL TEDDER



GEN. TASSIGNY

SHAEF Reporters Flay AP Doublecross

By BOYD D. LEWIS
United Press Correspondent

PARIS, May 8.—All correspondents at SHAEF, except those on the staff of the Associated Press, signed a letter to Gen. Eisenhower today, asking that the full ban on the AP be restored.

The letter described Kennedy's action as "the most disgraceful, deliberate and unethical double cross in the history of journalism."

Eisenhower rejected the petition on the grounds that only the War Department in Washington could decide to punish an entire American organization.

There were 16 of us in the party which assembled at an airport outside Paris Sunday afternoon. We had been summoned on 15 minutes' notice to cover what was described as an important out-of-town assignment. Most of us suspected we were on our way to witness the final capitulation of Germany.

But not until our big Douglas C-47 was climbing over the roof tops of Paris did we know for certain that we were going to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's field headquarters to witness the final capitulation of Germany.

Brig. Gen. Frank Allen, Jr., director of Supreme Headquarters' public relations division, shouted for us to gather around him in the waist of the plane.

"Gentlemen," he yelled, "We are going on a mission to cover the signing of peace. This group has been to represent the press the world. This story is off the

record until the respective heads of the Allied governments announce the fact to the world. I, therefore, pledge each and every one of you on your honor not to communicate the results of this conference or the fact of this existence until it is released by SHAEF."

Allen reiterated that the story of the surrender was "top secret"—meaning in the highest confidential category.

No objection to this pledge with which Allen bound us was raised by any correspondent in the plane.

Kennedy [Edward Kennedy of the Associated Press who filed the unauthorized dispatch on the capitulation], in addition to violating the pledge taken in the plane, violated instructions under which all accredited correspondents at SHAEF work. Those instructions are that only approved communication channels which are subject to censorship may be used.

Later, in the Hotel Scribe, where correspondents have their headquarters, Kennedy admitted he had violated Allen's pledge. He said he had done so because he did not believe Allen had any right to impose such a pledge.

Allen, discussing the imposition

of a ban on the AP's filing facilities yesterday, said: "The ban was imposed for the purposes of investigation and not as punishment. Therefore, its lifting cannot be regarded as exoneration."

Although the cancellation of the AP's filing privileges throughout the European Theater of Operations was lifted, the ban still applied to Kennedy personally.

The SHAEF correspondents' letter to Eisenhower said in part:

"We the undersigned SHAEF accredited correspondents have learned with utter astonishment of the decision to lift the ban on Associated Press in connection with the unauthorized publication of official news of the unconditional surrender of Germany."

"Any position that the Associated Press as an organization was not guilty of any infraction of SHAEF regulations is in our opinion incomprehensible. The organization in question published the story and made no effort whatever to retract it when it became evident that its publication was a flagrant violation of SHAEF security regulations imposed on all other correspondents concerned."

"Furthermore, the Paris bureau of the Associated Press distributed the story to all French newspapers. This involved activities of more than one representative of that agency."

"It is an accepted fact that any organization is responsible for its personnel especially in the case of men assigned as war correspondents

to the theater of military operations and even more especially in the case of men selected as bureau chiefs."

"Associated Press cannot escape responsibility for the fact that a man selected as its representative at SHAEF and who was among those present when Gen. Allen imposed his secrecy pledge deliberately circumvented SHAEF censorship in order to file his story for immediate publication in complete defiance of the pledge."

"Much less can the Associated Press escape responsibility for continuing to publish the story when it was evident that it was unauthorized."

"That an Associated Press correspondent was able to telephone an unauthorized story of this nature to London is in itself glaring evidence of incompetence on the part of that branch of Allied military which is responsible for security in Paris."

"That Associated Press should be permitted to continue to benefit from its defiance of a solemn pledge of secrecy imposed on news of such importance to the world is incredible."

The statement was signed by the following: Marshall Yarrow, Reuters; H. C. H. Morin, Paris Presse; C. Winberg, Ce Soir; Charles Collingwood, CBS; Carl Levin, New York Herald Tribune; Charles Wertenbaker, Time and Life; Stanley Richardson, NBC; Harold Callender, New York Times; Colin Bingham, Sydney Morning Herald; Ed-

ward Angly, Chicago Sun; Robin Duff, London Daily Express; Joseph S. Evans, Jr., News Week; Helen Kirkpatrick, Chicago Daily News and John Knight Newspapers; Emlyn Williams, Christian Science Monitor; John Gilbert, London Evening Star; Raymond Daniell, New York Times; C. H. Bateson, Truth (Australian) newspapers; Catherine Gavin, Kemsley newspapers; Edward Price, The People, London; G. Heuze Joane LaGrange, Agence Presse France; William D. Chaplin, ABC; Kingsbury Smith, INS; James L. Kilgallen, INS; Will Lang, Time and Life; Andre Glarner, Exchange Telegraph; David Walker, Daily Mirror, London; Eric Blair, Observer, London; Herbert M. E. Clark, Blue Network; Drew Middleton, New York Times; Paul Manning, MBS; Douglas Williams, London Daily Telegraph; R. W. Cooper, the Times, London; George Slocum, London Daily Mail; Gordon Webb, London Daily Sketch, A. Karaka, Bombay Chronicle; Collier Small, Saturday Evening Post; A. Dilmaville, Belgian Press; Volney Hurd, Christian Science Monitor; Louis Azreal, Baltimore News Post; Ben Malkin, Sifton Press; Tom Wolf, NEA; Gladwin Hill, New York Times.

Godfrey Blinden, J. W. Avers and J. W. Watson of the Australian Consolidated Press; Ted Malone, Blue Network; and Boyd Lewis, Edward W. Beattie, Bruce Munn, Robert Vermillion, John McDermott, Corrine Hardesty and Virgil Pinkley of the United Press.

Pacific Fleet Shells Okinawa Defenses

GUAM, Wednesday, May 9 (UP).—Pacific fleet battleships and cruisers hurled tons of shells into southern Okinawa Monday, knocking out many Japanese gun emplacements, but adverse weather hampered ground operations Tuesday. Far-ranging Navy bombers sank or damaged 18 more enemy vessels off Korea and Japan.

Norway Gets After Quislings

LONDON, May 8 (UP).—Underground leaders in Norway, taking control today pending arrival of Allied forces, began arresting an estimated 30,000 "Quislings."

Uncensored dispatches from Oslo said concentration camps had been emptied of Norwegian patriots and were being filled with followers of Vidkun Quisling, who will be sentenced to death if convicted.

Fleet Adm. Chester W. Nimitz reported no major changes in the U.S. lines on the 8,000-yard front stretching across the southern sector of the island, but Navy patrol bombers continued to strike at enemy shipping concentrations far to the north.

Off Korea an estimated 14,000 tons of shipping were destroyed and 3,000 tons damaged Monday, Nimitz said. The bombers sank one small freighter transport and one large fleet oiler and set afire one trawler, one small freighter and left another freighter listing and dead in the water.

Other bombers were off the

southern coast of Honshu for the fourth straight day Tuesday. They took a toll of two small cargo ships, one large fighting craft and one coastal cargo vessel sunk.

The aerial blockade of the waters around Japan and Korea has now sunk or damaged 51 Japanese vessels in four days.

While the American 10th Army ground troops were stalled on Okinawa, the expert gunnery of the Pacific Fleet was again brought to bear against the formidable line of fortifications.

U-Boat Victims Ask to Testify Against Doenitz

By GEORGE MORRIS

Survivors of U-boat torpedoings want a chance to prove Admiral Karl Doenitz is one of the top Nazi war criminals, the National Maritime Union declared yesterday, in a cable to the United Nations War Crimes Commission in London.

The cable, sent by vice-president Frederick Myers of the NMU, was dispatched on appearance of a United Press story quoting "London sources" as of the opinion that Doenitz would not fall in the category of a war criminal.

Estimating that Doenitz' "wolf pack" methods have sent 15,000 United Nations merchant seamen to the bottom of the seas, Myers referred to the well-known instructions Doenitz issued to his crews which said:

"The deed is everything. Kill, kill, kill. Have no humanity in your deeds. Humanity means weakness."

The cable addressed to Brig. Gen. J. M. Weir, chairman of the United Nations War Crimes Commission, said:

"Survivors of merchant ships torpedoed by Nazi submarine crews desirous of testifying against Admiral Doenitz commander of German U-boats who is responsible for death of over 15,000 merchant seamen."

"This war criminal must be brought before an international court where merchant seamen of all United Nations can testify. Doenitz' crews deliberately carried out his policy of 'kill, kill, kill.' Families and survivors will not let this

criminal go untouched."

The NMU, suffering the bulk of some 7,000 American merchant seamen, can bring forward many hundreds of U-boat survivors who have witnessed the wanton machinegunning from decks of U-boats upon men who were to reach a raft or a lifeboat. The Nazi disregard of the most elementary of rules on the seas became well known to NMU members months before Pearl Harbor, when even America's neutrality was ignored.

Doenitz, whom Hitler has built up as a war "hero" has a record of service to German militarism that began with World War I. On assuming the role of "Fuehrer" he announced Hitler had designated him for the post. Yesterday in a speech, he offered to continue as head of a German government.

Dresden Taken By Red Army

LONDON, May 8 (UP).—Soviet armies today captured Dresden, seventh city of Germany, and the enemy base at Olomouc in Czechoslovakia, while German forces in Prague



The last battlefield in Europe, as the Germans surrendered unconditionally. Fierce fighting went on yesterday as the Red Army captured Olomouc and Dresden, and kept advancing on Prague, together with Patton's 3d Army. In the south, Marshal Tito took Zagreb.

were reported reluctantly laying down their arms to patriot troops as U. S. and Soviet columns converged on the city.

Soviet troops also captured Znojmo in Czechoslovakia, and Stockerau and Hollabrunn in Austria. Marshal Joseph Stalin announced tonight in an Order of the Day.

While the Allied world celebrated V-E Day, another battle still raged in northern Yugoslavia where Marshal Tito's forces captured the Croatian capital, Zagreb.

Strong fighting units of the Wehrmacht still stood between Olomouc and Prague and threatened

to continue their resistance to the Red Army beyond the midnight cease-firing order despite broadcast warnings from their nominal commanders to capitulate.

The Americans met little or no resistance, the patriot-held Prague radio said. In the city itself, the German commander issued orders by all available communications for his units to cease fighting.

GOP'ers Take V-Day as War Signal Against OPA

Thousands Celebrate V-E In Central Park Rally

By VIRGINIA GARDNER

WASHINGTON, May 8.—A sober undercurrent to the general rejoicing over V-E Day in Washington was the concern expressed in administration and labor circles over a possible all-out drive by reactionary Republicans on domestic controls. President Truman's recent statement reaffirming his entire confidence in OPA's administration will do much to hold dissident Democrats in line when GOP hatchets begin to fly on pending legislation to extend the Price Control Act.

Sen. Robert F. Wagner, who heads the Senate Banking and Currency Committees and the subcommittees still considering the legislation, hopes it will be reported out with amendments, but meat shortages provide a fertile field for interests gunning for OPA.

And Truman's insistence on speaking out on issues has already lost him the support of Republicans initially so anxious to cooperate with him.

"The honeymoon is definitely over," Sen. James M. Tunnell (D-Del), staunch administration supporter, declared. "They'll attack everything that comes from Truman now, just as they did with Roosevelt. Of course, I am not speaking of those conscientious Republicans who have supported the administration in the war effort."

TAFT A CENTER

The real leadership of Senate Republicans centers around Robert A. Taft, of Ohio, he pointed out. Taft's position on controls is well known. He has been campaigning all through the war to weaken OPA.

Republicans this reporter talked to yesterday, however, were cagey on domestic controls. Minority leader Joe Martin of the House, asked if reports that they would make a mass drive on controls were true, replied:

"We haven't decided anything yet. Of course, controls will have to loosen up some."

Asked if the reports might have been inspired by a comment he was reported to have made, he smiled and said: "As a newspaper publisher, I don't believe everything I read in newspapers."

The comment said to have emanated from Martin was that "the lid will be off after V-E Day."

Rep. Earl C. Michener (R-Mich), another GOP House leader, said plantively that "whatever I say, the Daily Worker always calls me venal."

"OPA will be extended in some form as long as it is necessary," he said. "There have to be some controls up to the time the war with Japan is completely over or even afterwards."

With V-E Day here, he said, "there will be a resurvey as to the necessity of lend-lease as now administered."

ANDRESEN'S LINE

Rep. August H. Andresen (R-Minn.), who long has fought OPA and now is a vocal member of the select committee investigating food shortages, said:

"I rejoice that the war in Europe is over with and hope for a speedy victory over Japan," and immediately launched into complaints that a "scarcity philosophy" caused food shortages.

The "administration" ordered a 20 percent cut in hog production and an 18 percent poultry reduction last year, he said.

"I think the President will do a lot to cure the situation. We talked to him yesterday. He'll have to follow our recommendations."

And while he was cagey as to his exact stand on controls it was pretty well demonstrated when he said angrily:

"I'll tell you one thing—those who say pass the OPA Act without any amendments are going to live on statistical food only."



American servicemen gather about a motherly English woman in London (top) and one of them hugs her happily during the celebration in the British capital that followed the German announcement of unconditional surrender.

Truman Greet Allies In V-E Day Messages

By ART SHIELDS

WASHINGTON, May 8.—It was a glad birthday for President Truman, as he gaily reminded reporters who crowded his Victory press conference at 8:30 a.m. today.

The 61st anniversary found the Commander-in-Chief fighting fit. His large brown eyes flashed as he told a hundred newsmen and women that the greatest war machine in history will be turned on Japan, following the European enemy's defeat.

That was one of the many important remarks, showing the heart and purpose of the man, with which the President frequently interrupted the formal texts of the V-E speech and proclamation he was reading to the press.

The President's feeling of kinship with our allies, his recognition that America is part of a great democratic alliance—which the America First press is so blatantly denying—was implicit as he talked of "the flags of freedom" that "fly over all Europe."

It was explicit in his messages to Marshal Stalin, Prime Minister Churchill and Gen. De Gaulle.

The Soviet-baiters, who are seeking to mobilize American opinion for a war against our greatest ally, won't like Truman's tribute to the Soviet Union which said:

"You have demonstrated in all your campaigns what it is possible to accomplish when a free people under superlative leadership and with unfailing courage rise against

the forces of barbarism."

To Churchill he expressed appreciation of the nation's British contribution to victory, and added:

"With warm affection, we hail our comrades-in-arms across the Atlantic."

To De Gaulle he said:

"This is an appropriate time to send through America's congratulations to the people of France on their permanent liberation from the oppression they have endured with high courage for so long."

The President began his third press conference with an appeal to everyone to be careful of the 9 a.m. release date—an appeal which every press man appreciates since the AP jumped the V-E gun in Paris yesterday.

When he referred to the need to build an enduring peace, he looked up from the text of the speech that he was reading in advance to the press, and said that that was what we are trying to do in San Francisco.

The President's personal and official family was ranged in a crescent behind and around him as he spoke. Mrs. Truman in a dark blue suit and light blue blouse, was there with their daughter Margaret. The whole cabinet and army and navy chiefs were present.

Frisko Ceremony Marks End Of European Phase of War

SAN FRANCISCO, May 8 (UP).—The United Nations Security conference marked victory in Europe today by pledging themselves anew to establish the foundations of the new order designed to maintain and protect the world's future peace.

There was no cessation of conference proceedings and only a brief formal ceremony dedicated to the end of the European phase of the war.

In this ceremony the Soviet delegation did not participate because, a spokesman said, fighting still is going on and blood still is being

shed. It was assumed that the Soviet delegation was awaiting official announcement from Marshal Stalin.

A full schedule of committee meetings was carried out. An executive committee session agreed that decisions of the committee and commissions of the conference will be made by two-thirds vote.

The delegates paused for a moment's silent meditation at 11 a.m. (1 p.m. EWT) PWT.

At 12:15 P. M., PWT, in the Memorial Opera House a short program marked the end of the European war.

Against a backdrop of flags of the United States, the Soviet Union, Great Britain, France and China, Mayor LaGuardia yesterday told thousands of New Yorkers gathered at Central Park Mall that his great regret was that President Roosevelt wasn't alive to celebrate this hour of victory.

When the city-sponsored V-E Day rally opened, a slight drizzle and heavy clouds overhead kept the crowd down to about 10,000. However, a bright sun

appearing shortly before 6 p.m., brought additional thousands streaming into the Mall and by 6:30 there were 25,000 attending. By nightfall thousands more were pouring in.

Mayor LaGuardia said that this war is not over "until Japan and its emperor are destroyed."

MAYOR'S SPEECH

"Will we have the will, the courage and the inspiration to provide an example to the people of all the world that we insist that this never happen again? Let the word go from the people of New York City and San Francisco that there will be peace, happiness and justice in this world," he exclaimed.

The Central Park program began at 5 p. m. with an invocation by the Rev. Canon Edward N. West of the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine, and through the following five hours until 10 p. m. the throng at Central Park heard music from the New York Philharmonic and other orchestras and singing by Gladys Swarthout, Jan Peerce and other opera stars, in addition to choirs from churches of all denominations. The second part of the program began at 6 p. m. and was opened by a prayer by the Rt. Rev. Mgr. Joseph S. Flannelly of Saint Patrick's Cathedral. City Council President Newbold Morris

presided at the second part of the program which ended at 7 p. m.

The famous concert violinist Albert Spaulding, who recently returned from Italy where he acted as liaison officer for the Allied High Command told of his experiences with the Italian partisans. "These patriots were the central symbols of a regenerated unity of Italy," he said.

The heroic Jewish members of our armed forces, who chalked up a splendid record on the European battlefields were represented by Rabbi Samuel H. Goldstein of Temple Emanu-El.

New Yorkers celebrated V-E Day joyously yesterday. By 9 a. m., 200,000 were packed in the two blocks off Broadway between 43d and 45th Sts., while police watched them placidly. Victory was a few minutes old by official announcement, when the police pushed through the crowd, shouting, "come, celebrate if you're going to . . . it's official now, it's official."

And so 200,000 men and women began shouting and laughing and jostling. They weren't as noisy or as boisterous as yesterday's Times Square crowds of 500,000 but they were as happy.

Throughout the city, special services were held in churches of denomination.

IFTU to Dissolve, Says Head of French Unions

By DOROTHY LOEB

Dissolution of the International Federation of Trade Unions (IFTU) as soon as the newly-formed World Trade Union Federation is fully constituted was predicted yesterday by Louis Saillant, general secretary of the French Confederation of Labor (CGT), at a press conference here yesterday.

Saillant, just returned from Oakland, Calif., where he attended a WTUF administrative committee meeting, reported that decisions on a constitution, on voting and on other proposals were unanimously reached, and that he expected the formal organization of the new federation to be concluded when labor delegates convene anew on a world scale in Paris next September.

SCHÉVENELS SEES IFTU END

Earlier, Walter Schevenels, secretary of the IFTU, had predicted its dissolution. Schevenels is participating in plans for the formation of the new federation and Sir Walter Citrine, British labor leader, IFTU president, is one of the prime movers of the new body.

Fulfillment of Saillant's prediction would leave the AFL all alone in the remnants of the IFTU, although even the AFL is not now paying dues to that defunct body.

(While Saillant was seeing the press in New York, AFL president William Green at San Francisco reaffirmed his executive council's refusal to cooperate with the World Trade Union Congress.

Presiding over the poorest attended and least enthusiastic press conference yet held in Frisco, Green hit the growing unity of world labor as "this ignominious attempt to destroy the International Federation of Trade Unions." He criticized both Citrine and Schevenels as leaders in a plot against the IFTU. Green was unable to name any labor federation except the AFL which seeks resurrection of the IFTU.)

Saillant, who looks even younger than his 34 years, described himself as "well satisfied" with the Oakland WTUF committee deliberations. He is administrative secretary for the committee.

LEADS 4,680,000

The CGT, which he represents, now counts a membership of 4,680,000 as against 3,000,000 before the war, Saillant said. Another 4,000,000 are in the Christian Trade Unions. Before taking leadership in the federation, he was an active member of the Federation of Wood Workers, which includes all workers employed in wood trades.

In addition to his post in the trade unions, Saillant is president of the French National Council of Resistance which organized and led the underground movement for liberation. He was saddened yesterday by the news that M. Moulin, a founder of the Council, known to the underground as "Max," had died in a Nazi prison. Moulin, 43, had been prefect of the Eure et Loire Department before the war, he said.

Mrs. Roosevelt Calls For Permanent Peace

In a V-E Day broadcast to the American people and the boys overseas, Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt called on "our leaders and our people" to "fight through to a permanent peace."

Speaking in the name of the late President, she said:

"I think that he would want to say that we must go on with every power that we have until the war is fully won and that after that we must give all the backing we can to our own President, to the heads of the Allied nations, and win through to a permanent peace."

San Francisco Progress

AN EDITORIAL

THE conspiracy to disrupt the San Francisco conference is being thwarted. The conference is succeeding in erecting the foundations of an effective international security organization. It is back on the road of Big Three consultation and agreement, and in this spirit—if it continues—it will solve whatever problems remain.

No other interpretation can be placed on the statement of Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov that the co-presidents of the conference, representing the United States, Great Britain, China and the Soviet Union, have achieved unity on the complex and important issue of amendments to the Dumbarton Oaks plan.

The conference might have been wrecked on the hidden reefs of high-sounding but dangerous amendments. Indeed, this was the purpose of Sen. Vandenberg who sponsored these amendments, of ex-President Hoover who inspired them and of the Hearst and Scripps-Howard newspapers which supported them.

A leading Scripps-Howard editorial, headed Let San Francisco Review Yalta, summed up the objective of a cleverly-organized campaign. Yalta represented the highest stage yet achieved of Big Three unity. It stood for a firm policy on destroying German fascism and militarism. It laid the basis for solving the knotty Polish problem. So the idea was to have

San Francisco undo the work of Yalta. Some of the self-styled friends of Poland who are now beating the drums for application of the Yalta formula were, of course, loudest in denouncing the Yalta decision on Poland. For Vandenberg and those who agreed with him the Polish issue became the ideal vehicle for anti-Soviet propaganda and for creating differences between the Big Three.

WOULD RING SOVIETS

Vandenberg and Hoover urged that the Dumbarton Oaks plan be amended to permit the security organization to review all treaties and political arrangements made during the war. This was aimed specifically at the alliances of the Soviet Union with its neighbors, and had the larger purpose of making the Grand Alliance itself tentative and uncertain. They talked eloquently of justice and the rights of small nations—and meant a ring of reactionary, anti-Soviet states encircling the Soviet Union.

It must be conceded that this whole strategy scored important successes in the early stages of the conference. Fascist Argentina was seated. Some of Vandenberg's key amendments were adopted by the American delegation. The most elementary principles of Big Three consultation and agreement were ignored. Vandenberg succeeded in becoming the real leader of the delegation.

But the very successes of the Vandenberg in influencing the American delegation led to their present setback. American public opinion was shocked by the Argentine incident. Powerful figures like former Secretary of State Hull protested. Conservative observers like Walter Lippmann warned against the anti-Soviet bias dominant in the American delegation. And in closed committee rooms and public forums, Molotov battled for the success of the conference and against the intrigues of the Vandenberg.

JUSTICE RESCUED

Of course, the conference presidents agreed on the need for justice and for protecting the rights of small nations. Vandenberg had a monopoly on justice only when he used it as a synonym for anti-Soviet intrigue. It became clear that Molotov's efforts had been directed all along towards writing a genuine charter of freedom and democracy.

While realizing that differences between Great Britain and the United States made immediate solution of the trusteeship problem difficult, Molotov spoke up for putting colonial and dependent peoples on the road to freedom.

The Soviet Foreign Minister hailed the agreement to encourage human rights regardless of race, language, creed or sex. He regretted only that Soviet proposals

to include the right to work and the right to an education had not been included.

Molotov pointed out how incompatible is the entire purpose of the security organization with fascism. For fascist states not only negate all human rights but breed war. He did not mention Argentina, which had already been admitted to the conference. He said of Spain only that its case was too obvious to need discussion.

It was agreed that the assembly could make suggestions on the removal of conditions which lead to war. But all treaties which the Soviet Union has concluded with its neighbors are to remain in effect until it is mutually decided they are no longer necessary. And the Vandenberg proposal on revising treaties was flatly rejected on the ground, as Molotov put it, that this would "play into the hands of enemy countries."

Now that he has been defeated in the presiding committee of the conference, Vandenberg claims that he likes the result—which he will, of course, still seek to undermine. But his waning influence in the top policy-making councils in the American delegation augurs well for the success of the conference and for the solution of the Polish question which Molotov confidently predicts will be worked out.

Half Our Job Is Done, Says Truman

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UP).—Following is the text of President Truman's speech:

This is a solemn but a glorious hour. Gen. Eisenhower informs me that the forces of Germany have surrendered to the United Nations. The flags or reason fly over all Europe.

For this victory we join in offering our thanks to the Providence which has guided and sustained us through the dark days of adversity.

Our rejoicing is sobered and subdued by a supreme consciousness of the terrible price we have paid to rid the world of Hitler and his evil band.

Let us not forget, my fellow Americans, the sorrow and heart-break which today abide in the homes of so many of our neighbors—neighbors whose most priceless possession has been rendered as a sacrifice to redeem our liberty.

We can repay the debt which we owe to our God, to our dead and to our children only by work—by ceaseless devotion to the responsibilities which lie ahead of us. If

I could give you a single watchword for the coming months, that word is—work, work, work.

EAST STILL IN BONDAGE

We must work to finish the war. Our victory is but half-won. The West is free, but the East is still in bondage to the treacherous tyranny of the Japanese. When the last Japanese division has surrendered unconditionally, then only will our fighting job be done.

We must work to bind up the wounds of a suffering world—to build an abiding peace, a peace rooted in justice and in law. We can build such a peace only by hard, toilsome, painstaking work—by understanding and working with our allies in peace as we have in war.

The job ahead is no less important, no less urgent, no less difficult than the task which now happily is done.

I call upon every American to stick to his post until the last battle is won. Until that day, let no man abandon his post or slacken his efforts.

And now, I want to read to you my formal proclamation of this occasion:

A Proclamation

By the President of the United States of America

The Allied armies, through sacrifice and devotion and with God's help, have wrung from Germany a final and unconditional surrender. The western world has been freed of the evil forces which for five years and longer have imprisoned the bodies and broken the lives of millions upon millions of free-born men. They have violated their churches, destroyed their homes, corrupted their children, and murdered their loved ones. Our armies of liberation have restored freedom to these suffering peoples whose spirit and will the oppressors could never enslave.

Much remains to be done. The victory won in the west must now be won in the east. The whole world must be cleansed of the evil from which half the world has been freed. United, the peace-

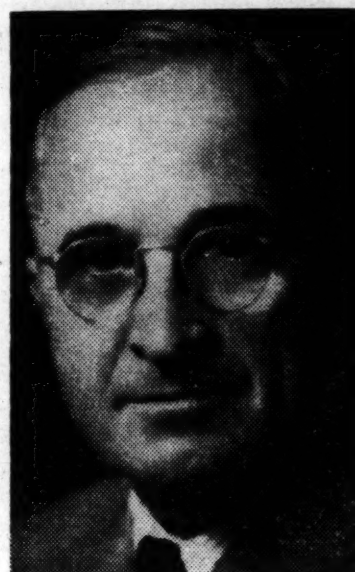
loving nations have demonstrated in the west that their arms are stronger by far than the might of dictators or the tyranny of military cliques that once called us soft and weak.

The power of our peoples to defend themselves against all enemies will be proved in the Pacific war as it has been proved in Europe.

For the triumph of spirit and of arms which we have won and for its promise to people everywhere who join us in the love of freedom, it is fitting that we as a nation give thanks to almighty God, who has strengthened us and given us the victory.

Now, therefore, I, Harry S. Truman, President of the United States of America, do hereby appoint Sunday, May 13, 1945, to be a day of prayer.

I call upon the people of the United States, whatever their faith, to unite in offering joyful thanks to God for the victory we have won and to pray that he will support us to the end of our



PRESIDENT TRUMAN

present struggle and guide us into the way of peace.

I also call upon my countrymen to dedicate this day of prayer to the memory of those who have given their lives to make possible our victory.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

Churchill's V-E Day Proclamation

LONDON, May 8 (UP).—The text of Prime Minister Churchill's V-E Day message:

Yesterday morning at Gen. Eisenhower's headquarters, Gen. Jodl, representative of the German High Command and of Grand Admiral Doenitz, designated head of the German state,

signed an act of unconditional surrender of all German land, sea and air forces in Europe to the Allied Expeditionary Force and simultaneously to the Soviet High Command.

Gen. Bedell Smith, Chief of Staff of the United States Army, and Gen. Francois Sevez signed the document on behalf of the supreme commander of the Allied Expeditionary forces and Gen. Salsoparoff signed on behalf of the Russian High Command.

Today this agreement will be ratified and confirmed at Berlin, where Air Chief Marshal Tedder, Deputy Supreme Commander of Allied Expeditionary Forces and Gen. Tassigny will sign on behalf of Gen. Eisenhower.

Gen. Zhukov will sign on behalf of the Soviet High Command. German representatives will be Field Marshal Keitel, chief of the High Command, and commanders in chief of the German Army, Navy and Air Force.

OUTLAWS AFTER MIDNIGHT

Hostilities will end officially at one minute after midnight tonight, Tuesday, May 8, but in the interests of saving lives cease fire began yesterday to be sound-ed all along the front and our dear Channel Islands are also to be freed today.

Germans are still in places resisting Russian troops, but should they continue to do so after midnight they will of course deprive themselves of the protection of the laws of war and will be attacked from all quarters by Allied troops.

It is not surprising that on such long fronts and in the existing disorder of the enemy the commands of the German High Command should not in every case be obeyed immediately.

This does not in our opinion with the best military advice at our disposal constitute any reason for withholding from the nation the facts communicated to us by Gen. Eisenhower of the unconditional surrender already signed at Reims nor should it prevent us from celebrating today and tomorrow, Wednesday, as victory in Europe days.

Today perhaps we shall think mostly of ourselves. Tomorrow we shall pay particular tribute to our Russian comrades whose prowess in the field has been one of grand contributions to the general victory.

The German war therefore is at an end. After years of intense preparation Germany hurled herself on Poland at the beginning of September, 1939, and in pur-

suance of our guarantee to Poland and in agreement with the French Republic, Great Britain, the British Empire and the commonwealth of nations declared war upon this foul aggression.

After gallant France had been struck down we from this island and from our united empire maintained the struggle single-handed for a whole year until we were joined by the military might of Soviet Russia and later by the overwhelming power and resources of the United States of America.

GRATITUDE TO ALLIES

Finally almost the whole world was combined against the evildoers, who are now prostrate before us. Our gratitude to our splendid Allies goes forth from all our hearts in this island and throughout the British Empire.

We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing but let us not forget for a moment the toil and efforts that lie ahead. Japan with all her treachery and greed remains unsubdued. The injury she has inflicted on Great Britain, the United States and other countries and her detestable cruelties call for justice and retribution.

We must now devote all our strength and resources to the



PRIME MINISTER CHURCHILL

completion of our task both at home and abroad. Advance Britannia. Long live the cause of freedom. God save the King.

Negro Congress Hits Argentina Action

Miss Thelma M. Dale, acting secretary of the National Negro Congress, has wired Secretary of State Stettinius opposing the admittance of "Fascist Argentina to the family of nations" and "urgently" requesting him to "follow more closely the path charted by our late President and supported by President Truman in the interest of building a genuine anti-fascist world security organization."

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Text of Reich's Unconditional Surrender

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE, May 8 (UP).—Text of the military surrender:
ONE. We the undersigned, act-

ing, by authority of the German High Command, hereby surrender unconditionally to the Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force and simultaneously

to the Soviet High Command all forces on land, sea and in the air who are at this date under German control.

tionary Force and by the Soviet High Command.

On behalf of the German High Command: Jodl.

In the presence of or on the behalf of the Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force: W. B. Smith.

On behalf of the Soviet High Command: Ivan Susloparoff.

On behalf of the French High Command: F. Sevez.

Eyewitness Account Of Nazi Surrender

By BOYD D. LEWIS

REIMS, France, May 7 (Delayed) (UP).—Representatives of four Allied powers and vanquished Germany scrawled their names on a sheet of foolscap in a map-lined 30-by-30 foot room at 2:41 a.m. (European time) today and ended World War II in Europe.

I witnessed this historic scene.

In a ceremony 20 minutes long, Col. Gen. Gustav Jodl, chief of staff of Admiral Doenitz' government and close friend of Adolf Hitler, surrendered all German armed forces on land and sea and in the air.

The surrender is effective one minute after midnight Wednesday, British double summer time (6:01 p.m. EDT).

The actual signing took five minutes. There are four copies of the surrender document, and in addition the naval disarmament order which was signed by Admiral Sir Harold Burroughs, Allied naval chief.

Immediately after signing the last document the Nazi pleaded for generosity "for the German people" and "the German armed forces."

EISENHOWER'S COMMENT

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, smiling, confident and restrained, sat with his deputy, Britain's Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Tedder, beside him and in a three-minute statement later for newsreels hailed the German surrender as the conclusion of the plan reached by President Roosevelt and Prime Minister Churchill at Casablanca in 1942—unconditional surrender.

"We have defeated Germany on land, sea and in the air," Eisenhower said. He added that the peace was fittingly signed in France, a country which suffered so much at the hands of Germany.

Eisenhower did not attend the actual signing. That was carried out by generals of the United States, the Soviet Union, England and France on his behalf.

Lt. Gen. Walter Bedell Smith, who signed for Anglo-American forces as SHAEF chief of staff, asked Jodl to meet him at 10 a.m. Monday morning to arrange for German liaison officers to carry out the surrender and disarmament orders.

Ten minutes later he was presented before the Supreme Commander. Eisenhower stood grim at his desk in his cubbyhole office and asked if Jodl understood the terms.

Jodl muttered "Yes" to Maj. Gen. K. W. D. Strong, SHAEF intelligence officer who was the interpreter.

The Germans strode out.

The war was ended at a black-topped table 20 by six feet, bathed in floodlights which heated the tiny "war room."

At 2:39 the three Germans entered, Jodl in the lead, followed by Gen. Admiral Hans Georg Friedeburg and then Maj. Wilhelm Oxenius, Jodl's aide.

NO SALUTING

Jodl clicked his heels to Smith. There was no saluting. The three Germans sat down facing these Allied officers from left to right:

Lt. Gen. Sir Frederick E. Morgan, deputy chief of staff; Gen. Francois Sevez, representing the French chief of staff, Gen. Alphonse-Pierre Juin; Admiral Sir Harold M. Burroughs, Allied naval chief; Lt. Gen. Smith, presiding; Gen. Ivan Susloparoff, for the Soviet Union; Gen. Carl Spaatz, com-

manding the United States Strategic Air Force; Air Marshal Sir J. M. Robb, chief of the air staff of SHAEF; Maj. Gen. H. R. Bull, assistant chief of staff, G3, SHAEF, and Col. Zenkovitch, aide to Susloparoff.

Afterward in Eisenhower's office Susloparoff and "Ike" laughed and embraced and congratulated one another.

The scene of the surrender was a classroom of Reims' Ecole Professionnelle, co-educational technical school. The Germans had used it as supreme headquarters during their occupation and Eisenhower made it his SHAEF forward post since moving from Versailles several months ago.

Negotiations began last Wednesday evening when Friedeburg, who succeeded Doenitz as commander-in-chief of the German navy when Doenitz became Fuehrer, surrendered the northern armies, exclusive of Norway, to Field Marshal Sir Bernard Montgomery.

Friedeburg and the other German representatives were brought to Reims Saturday.

That meeting lasted 20 minutes—long enough to reveal that Friedeburg did not have authority to lay surrender on the line.

TERMS

Smith gave the admiral the written terms, summarized as follows:

First, unconditional surrender; second, all forces to remain in their present positions; third, all air and sea craft should not be allowed to scatter from their present stations; fourth, the Obercommand of the Wehrmacht must guarantee to forward and enforce the execution of all orders of the Allied commands.

Friedeburg tried to compromise; he complained many German soldiers might be killed by the Red Army unless allowed to surrender directly to the Allies in the west.

Smith gave the suggestion no consideration. He declared the Allies were not prepared to discuss anything but simultaneous surrender to the Allies of the east and west.

Friedeburg asked about the German civilian population, which he said might suffer hardships. Smith replied that the German people were enemies of the Allies until surrender; after that, he said we would be guided by the dictates of humanity.

Friedeburg then took the terms to an office. Washington Moscow and London were given code dispatches by Eisenhower on the progress of the negotiations. Eisenhower said Friedeburg had offered surrender, if he could get the necessary authority.

Maj. Gen. of Artillery Ivan Susloparoff, Soviet representative especially empowered by Premier Joseph Stalin to represent the Soviet Union, waited in the war room with his aide, Col. Ivan Zenkovitch.

Saturday night Friedeburg sent a message to Doenitz via the British Second Army.

At precisely 5:08 p. m. Sunday Doenitz's reply arrived at Reims airport in an Allied military plane in the person of Gen. Gustav Jodl—the man with the credentials—the man with power to lay surrender on the line.



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Get the War Criminals!

WHAT has happened to the topmost Nazi hierarchy is not yet finally established. But many high-ranking Nazis and general staff members have fallen into Allied hands. Among those released from Nazi detention are also a number of men like Schacht who found it expedient to "break" with the Nazis during the past months when it was clear beyond any doubt that Germany was already defeated. Still others, who for one reason or another had separated themselves from Hitler's inner circle, placed themselves conveniently in American territory and became our prisoners, men like Franz von Papen, Krupp, Gen. von Rundstedt and others. The predecessor of them all, Rudolf Hess, is a prisoner in Britain.

Now we have still another category of "ex"-Nazis who apparently consider themselves the Badoglos of Germany. Admiral Karl Doenitz, Hitler's commander of the fleet and the organizer of the ruthless submarine warfare, together with his "foreign minister" Count von Krosigk, and others who might find it profitable to proclaim their allegiance to Hitler's successor, are attempting to carve out a special position for themselves in defeated Germany.

Industrialists

Evidently working hand in hand with this group are a number of big industrialists who, according to occasional dispatches from American-held German territory, seem to be roaming about in complete freedom, advocating in one form or another the rebuilding of the German economy on the old model, and prating glibly about new "Christian" states in Bavaria and the Rhineland.

As to the general atmosphere among the German people, all reports coincide. The Germans seek to absolve themselves of all responsibility by blaming "them"—the Nazis—for everything that has happened. Many still insolently "demand" their "rights" from the Allied military authorities, obviously believing that Germany after the military defeat can proceed as if nothing had happened.

That is the general background against which a von Krosigk whines over the German radio about "justice," "reconciliation" and the return of Germany to "Western Christian civilization." It is in such a situation that Doenitz makes pretenses to power in post-defeated Germany. These criminals evidently believe that in return for surrendering what has already been defeated and crushed they will be permitted to carry on their preparations to resurrect German imperialist power for another attempt to dominate the world.

Doenitz Linked to Murders

The whole matter was put in a nutshell by the Moscow radio when it declared that Doenitz was a war criminal equally guilty with Hitler and Himmler, and demanded death for all of them. To show the immensity of their guilt, the commentator linked Doenitz with the revelation that four million persons were murdered by the Nazis in the Oswiecim death camp in Poland.

Yes, all of them—from whatever is left of the inner Hitler circle to the Schachts, Krupps, von Papens, Gen. Rundstedts, Doenitzes, von Krosigks and foot-loose Junkers and bosses of the Farbenindustrie.

That is the meaning of the Crimean Declaration on Germany issued by Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill. The remnants of the German army are now in the process of being completely disarmed; how it is to be disbanded is still to be determined—but the war criminals must be separated out and disposed of. We are pledged to "break up for all time the German general staff"—and the proper handling of the war criminals will also take care of that. The Crimea Declaration also says:

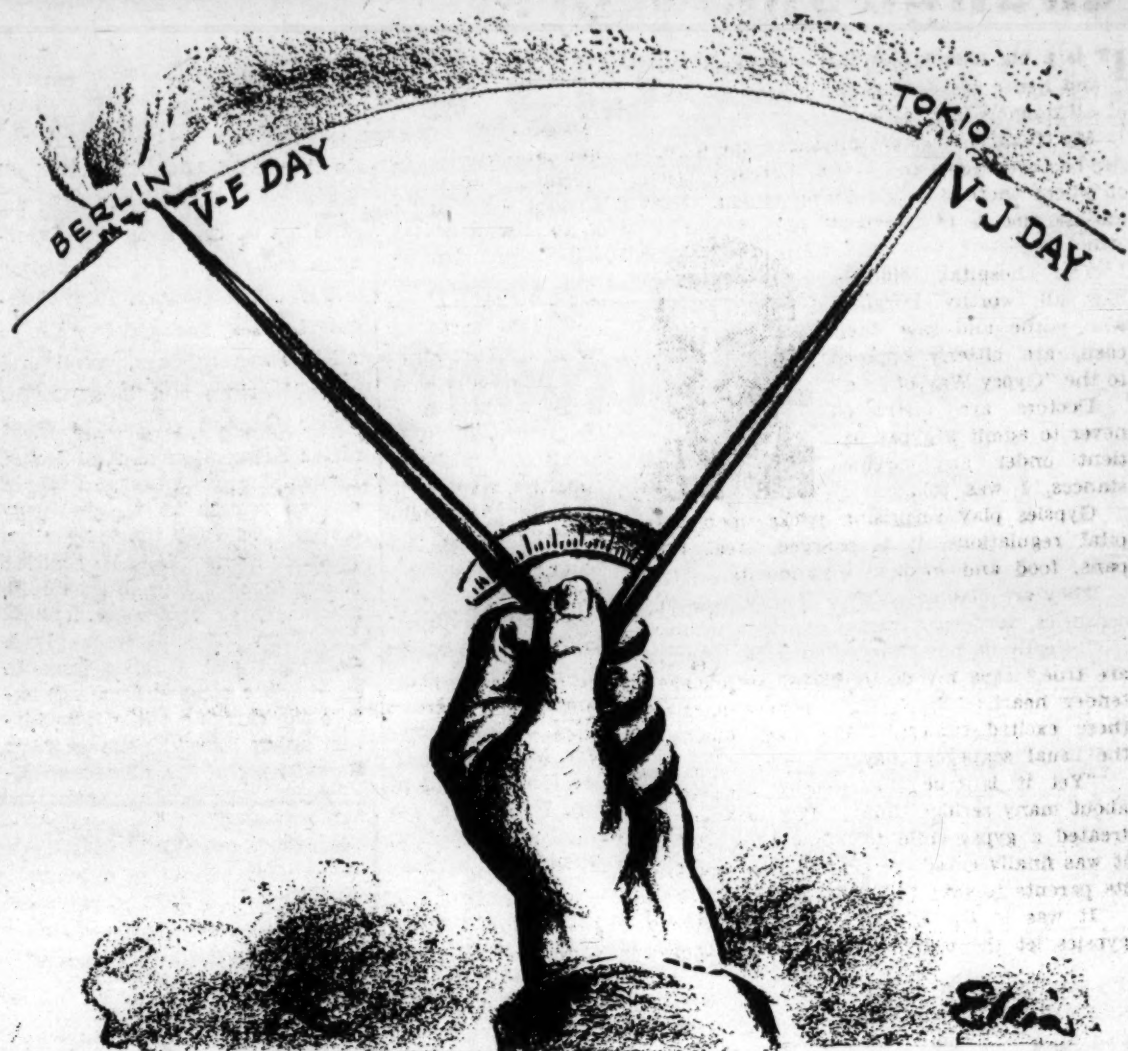
"Wipe out the Nazi party, Nazi laws, organizations and institutions, remove all Nazi and militarist influences from public office and from the cultural and economic life of the German people."

That can be accomplished, as well as the basic aim of the economic disarmament of Germany together with obtaining to the full reparations in kind and labor, if we start immediately with the most pressing provision of all: "bring all war criminals to just and swift punishment."

That is the kind of justice needed, and not the "justice" that a Doenitz and his accomplices abroad love to chatter about. Just and swift punishment beginning right now will put an end to the sneaky maneuvers of the new pretenders to power in Germany, will shatter the hypnotic spell of the German people, and take the ground from under the schemers for a resurgent aggressive Germany.

The policy of the Crimea was set by the leaders of the Big Three nations. It can be realized throughout Germany only by the joint and concerted action of the coalition powers.

PLOTTING THE COURSE



Between the Lines

France as a Mirror

by Joseph Starobin

SAN FRANCISCO.

THE attitude of powerful American figures at this conference toward the Soviet Union does not have to be divined with mirrors. You need no special gifts of reportorial skill to delve into the dark corners of San Francisco for the ugly truth. You need no special pipelines, no inside track, no subtle and speculative mind. The hostility is quite open. You know that anti-Soviet stories are being fed to favorite correspondents by members of the American delegation and their advisers. You know that James Clement Dunn gives dinner parties in which he counts the minority of votes for the Soviet Union on his fingers, and rubs his hands with satisfaction.



You know that Ambassador Averill Harriman speaks his mind openly at private confabs with powerful magnates of the "free press." When some stupid blimp of the British Information Services remarks that "after this conference the Russians will know how to behave, will be gentle as lambs," you understand that this Major So-and-So is echoing the thoughts of more important personages.

Yet there is a delegation here which mirrors the question-marks of world relations, perhaps more acutely than any other. And that is the delegation from France, among the unhappiest group of men in San Francisco.

The French came from a country that has just experienced the first municipal elections in nine years, and the first elections in which women voted. The impact was terrific on the delegation itself, which—like so many other delegations—can hardly be called representative of its people.

Nature Of Delegation

Only two men among the French have any real roots in their country. One is the Foreign Minister, Georges Bidault, a Catholic progressive, an honest man overburdened with the responsibilities of steering his dele-

gation through a hostile atmosphere.

The other is Francois Billoux, the dockworker from Marseille who is Minister of Public Health, and who typifies with every gesture, every intonation of his voice, every smile the greatness of the French working class.

The rest are functionaries, random admirals and colonels, antique pieces like Joseph Paul Boncour, of League of Nations memory.

So when the French electoral results were made known, it was more than the ticking of some historic clock for the other French delegates. It also echoed in all delegations.

The people of France were in that moment speaking for the peoples of non-Soviet Europe. They were saying to the parley: "The days of a reactionary, an anti-Soviet Europe are over. We want genuine democracy for ourselves, and we shall have it. And we warn you out there in San Francisco not to delude yourselves. France does not intend to be the pawn of anyone against the rest of Europe."

Weak Behavior

But that is one side of the coin. Actually, the delegation's behavior has been weak, even Bidault's. There has been much talk, as usual, that France is a great power. But she has hardly acted with the firmness and clarity that we expect of greatness.

At his press conference the other day, Bidault made rather lame excuses for supporting the seating of Argentine. France had abstained on the first vote, and then changed her mind, said Bidault, because "we had a certain number of friends who guaranteed to us that the Argentine government had taken the necessary steps..." which is a sad way of explaining the diplomacy of a great power, if you ask me.

Similarly on the Polish issue,

Bidault was quite uncertain about whether to pay tribute to Poland in his speech at the plenary session: He changed his mind several times, and the final reference to Poland's rights was rather weak.

But the real point is not Bidault himself. He only reflects what will happen to the nations of western Europe if no firm Soviet-American understanding governs world politics. A country like France cannot be stabilized except as there is a unity between Washington and Moscow. Unless we have that, France is torn apart horizontally and vertically.

Her government will attempt to defy her people's will and seek mirages in foreign and domestic policy. Her people, who deserve their unity so much, will find that unity slipping away under the influence of sinister forces, emanating from the anti-Soviets in our country.

The reactionaries cannot win in France, I am convinced. But they can cause an abysmal frustration of the French people. The very thought of it is frightening and horrible.

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Worth Repeating

EXTERMINATION of the French people was the aim of the Nazis, says a report on German atrocities in France, just prepared by Psychological Warfare Division of the War Department and which says in part of murdered Frenchmen: The state of these bodies proved without a shadow of a doubt that the men had been tortured and beaten with inhuman ferocity before being killed, the study said. No international law can justify such brutality and sadism.

Change the World

IT is a big hospital on the lower East Side, and hence serves an amazing international of all tongues and nationalities.

My friend, a resident physician there, says she has even come to know and treat gypsies, of whom there is a sprinkling among stores and tenements of the East Side.

The hospital officials, like all worthy burghers who bathe and save their cash, are bitterly opposed to the "Gypsy Way of Life."

Doctors are instructed never to admit a gypsy patient under any circumstances, I was told.

Gypsies play surprising tricks upon hospital regulations, it is charged, steal bedpans, food and medical instruments.

They are blamed, as gypsies have been for centuries, for every mishap in their vicinity.

"I really do not know whether the charges are true," says my doctor friend, who has a tender heart. "Yet I can't believe most of these excited rumors. They have much of the usual scapegoat flavor."

"Yet it is true that gypsies are casual about many serious things. For instance, we treated a gypsy child for some time. When it was finally cured, we simply could not find its parents to take the child home."

"It was in the winter time. The shrewd gypsies let the child remain in the hospital



By Mike Gold

through the cold weather, eating good meals and getting fat and keeping warm. When spring came, the tribe appeared and made a large, excited noise and took their baby home. Well, is that bourgeois, I ask you?"

"DR. MARY" told one lovely anecdote that casts upon the political scene of today at least a tiny candle-glow.

A fine-looking gypsy boy of about 14 came to the clinic and Dr. Mary took a liking to the youth, but was startled to find that his first name, one legally registered in the vital statistics records of New York, was nothing less than "Mussolini."

He also had a little brother whose first name was "Hitler." Dr. Mary knew gypsies are not as political as all that. She had some talk with young "Mussolini," and dug out the story behind the horrible names.

It appears that the gypsy parents had camped for years in a tottering East Side tenement owned by an old Italian miser who was also a fanatic Fascist. This crackpot bribed the parents with a gift of \$25 to name their gypsy first-born, "Mussolini," and paid them \$15 for the second-born to be named "Hitler."

LITTLE "Mussolini" got to hate his name because it was so unusual. He finally

Gypsy Life and San Francisco

persuaded everyone to call him just "Joe."

It was when he came to the hospital that his parents registered him again under his legal name. But Dr. Mary explained to them that "Joe" was as legal a name as "Mussolini," and lots more pleasant to the American ear.

Where is the little light this anecdote sheds upon the political scene? Well, maybe it is an illustration of the darkness, too many people dwell in along with the raggle-taggle gypsies, O.

It is humorous that an illiterate and innocent gypsy couple should permit their children to be given Fascist names in exchange for a few dollars. Are they dupes? Are they screwballs?

Well, and is it humorous that a group of State Department experts, all graduates of Harvard and Yale and other great universities, should fight at San Francisco for the admission of Fascist Argentina into a new anti-fascist world?

Our "experts" are the chief dupes of a new Fascist underground. The United States would be the first victim of a Fascist war started from the Latin American base. Russia knows how to take care of itself, but America, with Roosevelt departed, must again study the vast lesson. I think the gypsies of First Ave. were a bit foolish in naming their kids Hitler and Mussolini. But are they as dumb as the experts at San Francisco who are accepting the armed Argentine Nazis as fellow-builders of world democracy?

Listen Here,



Mr. Editor

Catholic Worker Becomes Interested

New York City Editor, Daily Worker:

During the past few months I attempted to condition a progressive Catholic to The Worker. The one difficulty was his unfounded exception to the Communist position on religious questions. Preconceived notions absorbed through years of misinformation.

Desiring to acquaint him with the handling of religious news, I read with trepidation the differentiation between the reactionary leaders and the Catholic masses before turning it over to him. My fears were groundless, I was rewarded by a request to supply the Daily Worker daily.

My profound praise for the discretion, moderation and forethought with which the Vatican's role in world events are handled.

R. L.

The PM Helps Otto Hapsburg

Manhattan Editor, Daily Worker:

Of course, you may know about this, but I thought I'd tell your readers. PM has got out as a publicity stunt an editorial by Max Lerner attacking Earl Browder and the Daily Worker. It's a pretty shallow piece of work, and it looks even worse in the light of PM's own poor record on San Francisco. I read the stupid editorial by Lerner today (May 1) on Austria, in which he proves that the Soviet Union did everything that it should have done in regard to that country, and then concludes that the USSR is clumsy like the United States in regard to Argentina.

This is a very cowardly attempt to turn turtle, after the PM professed to be so much against Otto Hapsburg.

L. M.

Don't Become Discouraged

Brooklyn Editor, Daily Worker:

Already I've experienced one of the dangerous reactions to the inclusion of Argentina in the San Francisco conference. It was a condemnation of the conference by well-meaning people.

No doubt Argentina will express the vilest sentiments still existent in our civilization, but they do not nullify the principal reason for the conference which is to set up means of insuring lasting peace. Let us not in our resentment lose sight of that by all means. Let us express over and over again our confidence in the success of the San Francisco conference.

G. JOSEPHS.

Reversion to Savagery

Kew Gardens, N. Y. Editor, Daily Worker:

Now that the homeland of the Germans—Das Vaterland—has been overrun by the troops of the Allies, one would imagine that the Germans would call a halt to their national pastime of killing women, children, and prisoners of war. But no—the superswine still think they can get away with it. Any decent people remaining in Germany are so crushed between the Gestapo cruelty and their terror of Allied bombs that they can do nothing to prevent these acts of reversion to savagery.

J. M. H.

The opinions expressed in these letters are those of the readers and not necessarily of the paper. We welcome letters from our readers and their friends on subjects of current interest. To facilitate the printing of as many letters as possible, and to allow for the freest discussion, please limit letters to 300 words.

Let's Face It

V-E DAY has brought with it a host of national problems that will require that we turn some of our attention back to Washington.

Take the case of the Fair Employment Practice Committee. It was established on the basis of a wartime emergency order by FDR. As such, its work is necessarily confined to war industry. No one except Congress has the authority to change that.

FEPC has achieved some excellent results. Partly as a result of its activities, the number of Negro workers engaged in war industry has been estimated at a million and a half.

But now that the war in Europe is over, some of this industry will be, or is already being, dismantled. Reconversion offers no protection to the Negro workers who are laid off from these industries. The presidential order and the activities of FEPC as now constituted no longer apply to them.

Many firms, where unions are either non-existent or not particularly sensitive to the problem, are automatically laying off all Negro workers as soon as they reconvert to peace industry. As an example of what is happening there is the letter received by the National Urban League from a Baltimore firm, in which the head of the firm says he would be glad to answer the League's



by Max Gordon

inquiry about Negroes employed but since the firm is no longer engaged in war work it no longer has Negro workers.

Some trade unions are grappling with the problem from the point of view of seniority and protection of Negro rights. But even if this is solved successfully, it is only part of the story.

WITH hundreds of thousands of Negro workers in the armed forces, some of whom will be released in the next several months, and more hundreds of thousands facing layoffs from war industry, what is needed is a basic national policy as embodied in the permanent FEPC measure now before the House of Representatives.

Despite the urgency of the situation and the difficulties that will result if the measure does not become law soon, it has been getting an awful kicking around in the House. Approved by the Labor Committee, it is now being held up by the arch-reactionary Rules Committee, which refuses to let it out on the floor. To get it by that committee, Rep. Mary Norton, Labor Committee chairman, has been compelled to resort to a discharge petition.

Up until late last week, there were only 102 signatures on the petition of the 218 required. Backers of the bill have appealed to the people to get after their Congressmen to sign it so as to give the House a chance to vote. They are confident that should it come to a vote it

Making the Grade

ADULT education is not yet out of its swaddling-clothes. Enormous new vistas have been opened up for it in the course of this people's war; and a good many quarters have come to realize that here is a rich and limitless field, hardly yet scratched, and awaiting the hardy efforts of new pioneers.

But if the "land rush" is under way, and steadily gathering speed, there is still too little evidence, on the part of some of the eager claimants, of a real grasp of the job that lies before them. That their achievements will be small at the start can be understood; but they cannot be forgiven even now for coming to the task with smallness of vision.

Consider, for instance, the program of adult education now being carried on by the Evening Session of the College of the City of New York in conjunction with the New York Public Libraries. One would find it hard to think of a single community center with the same universality of appeal as a public library. Much more than the neighborhood schools, with their very limited age ranges and hours of use, the library has long had the character of a service institution for the general public; while never used to the fullest, it has nevertheless been there to be used.

Using it now to bring the resources of our colleges to the people, and thereby to help



by Harold Collins

meet their tremendous new thirst for understanding, should prove vastly and immediately productive.

BUT, scanning the actual prospectus of courses, one wonders just how far the present project will succeed in going; what is worse, one wonders whether, in its present form, that matters very much. Over 80 classes are listed, in about 50 subjects; but although six sections of Practical Psychology are being offered and 13 of Conversational Spanish, you will search from one end of the catalogue to the other without being able to find a single course in American History, or any other history.

Nor will you find a single course in current events, or any aspect of government or politics; nor, finally, anything even remotely touching on the labor movement or the problems of postwar America and the world.

Curiously enough, the only courses with anything resembling a reflection of contemporary social, economic and political trends, are two: Understanding Russia, and a Survey of Russian Literature.

Is there no real desire in America today for real courses? Has adult education met its new opportunities by way of Home Decoration, Pencil Sketching or Voice Improvement?

Adult Education Is Not a Game

Look at the work being done by the Jefferson School, which opens its sixth consecutive term this week. At the moment of writing, with registrations still being taken all this week and next, there are already more than 2,000 students enrolled. Of these, about 325, or one out of every six, are studying in the Economics and Politics Department; some 250, or one out of every eight, are taking a course in Philosophy, and just about as many again are studying science; while more than 200, or one out of every 10, are registered in one of the six courses given on The World Today. And all this, side by side with nearly 400 in the Arts and Art Workshop classes.

WHAT do such figures reveal? They reveal the simple fact that adult education can—and only will succeed, when it is not merely the education of adults, but their education on an adult level.

The Jefferson School, no more than its nine or 10 counterparts throughout the country, has no monopoly on the secret of how to do it.

Surely the city colleges can do as much; and if they cannot, it is high time the parents of the regularly enrolled students there were acquainted with that fact. It is entirely too late for the education of adults, or young adults, to be anything less than training for democratic living.

German Communist Leader Warns Road Back Is Hard

Wilhelm Pieck, Communist member of the Reichstag in pre-Hitler days, warned the German people that they are facing a "hard period, a time of serious trials." Pieck, a member of the Free Germany National Committee in the Soviet Union, spoke Friday over Moscow radio. His broadcast was reported here by FCC.

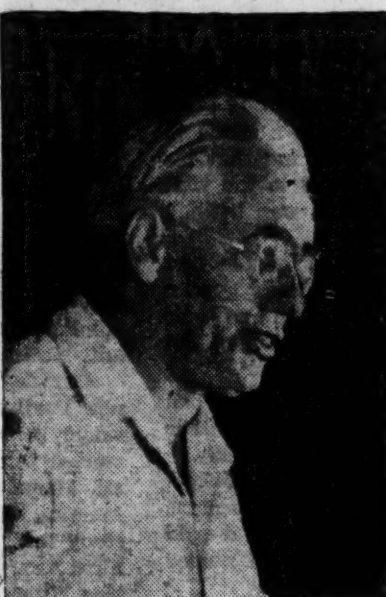
"Our people must prove that they are capable of change," Pieck said. "Under military occupation of the country they will have to replace the damage caused by Hitler's war and the barbarism to other peoples, particularly the great Soviet nation."

"Our people will carry out this duty conscious of its necessity in paving the way for their own resurrection. A conscientious compliance with the duties allotted to the Ger-

man people will bring our people into peaceful and sincere relations with occupation authorities.

"The Nazi criminals must be dug up from all of their hiding places and rendered harmless. All provocations they will attempt through their illegal werewolf gangs you must radically counter, for they only aggravate our people's position. Only a radical purge of these elements can create the prerequisites for our people's resurrection."

Pieck also said the entire German nation was responsible for Hitler's rise to power, since they "would not listen to anti-Fascist warnings."



WILHELM PIECK

Editors Want Nazis Punished

WASHINGTON, May 8.—A strong United Nations policy on war criminals and speedy empowerment of the War Crimes Commission to put such a policy into action was urged yesterday by 18 American editors and publishers now visiting the German prison camps at General Dwight Eisenhower's invitation. The statement was released by the War Department.

CITE PROOF

Pointing to "convincing proof that brutality was the basic Nazi system and 'method' and that the Nazis had a 'master plan of calculated and organized brutality,'

the newspapermen added:

"For these crimes the German people cannot be allowed to escape their share of the responsibility. Just punishment must be meted out to the outstanding party leaders and the German General Staff, to party officeholders, to all members of the Gestapo, all members of the SS [Elite Guard]. Simple justice and the future peace of the world require that all these, by virtue of their position, be indicted as war criminals."

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Bottcher Rally To Hear Batista

Gen. Fulgencio Batista, former President of Cuba, will be the principal speaker at a meeting in tribute to Captain Herman Bottcher, fallen German-American hero, to be held May 17 at Manhattan Center, under the auspices of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Capt. Bottcher, who served as a major for the Spanish Republic against the Franco rebellion, was killed in action on Leyte Island last New Year's Eve after achieving renown as a jungle fighter in the Southwest Pacific.

Hartford Oaks Rally Urges 'Big 5' Unity

HARTFORD, Conn., May 8.—Sharp warning against an "impossible perfectionism" and insistence that the American delegation at San Francisco work for a world security organization based on the "Big Five" unity principles developed at Dumbarton Oaks marked the Dumbarton Oaks rally here last week.

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"Public Found Confused About UNCIO Aims," declares Editor and Publisher, mouthpiece of the newspaper world, in its April 28 issue. Reporting from Philadelphia, it states that "the man in the street"

has only a faint idea . . . a confused impression . . . about what the United Nations Conference on International Organization at San Francisco is all about" according to a survey conducted by the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Assuming that the survey of the Inquirer is correct, whose fault is it? Is not this statement, out of the horse's own mouth, a confession of the utter bankruptcy of the press in carrying out an elementary but fundamental function of a newspaper? Or have confusion and distortion become the function of journalism? What, we may ask, have the newspapers been doing if the people are confused?

VANDERBERG'S 'OPINIONS'

Take the case of Vandenberg, for instance, in order to see what the press has been doing. When this reactionary Senator first began to give forth with his opinions of what would guarantee world security, the commercial press as a whole went into a paroxysm of joy at the sight of the lion turned lamb. Not one newspaper would or could expose the fact that Vandenberg's reformation was not even

skin deep. Only the Daily Worker and The Worker exposed Vandenberg from the beginning.

The indispensability of the Daily Worker and The Worker becomes even more apparent. The Worker campaign for \$100,000 which is now in progress. The immediate response by its readers, either as individuals or as members of organizations, and the rapid achievement of the goal set, will make it possible for the Daily Worker and The Worker to fulfill their obligations to the American people.

Sweden Breaks With Dead Reich

Even the most case-hardened cynics are forced to admit that the news of the capitulation of Germany is true at last. There can no longer be any argument about it. Three of the European "neutrals" have actually broken off relations with Germany.

Portugal, Spain and Sweden waited until the last minute. But they have finally recognized the inevitable.

Ireland and Switzerland, ever cautious, are still waiting. For what they were waiting was not clear. But it was recalled that President De Valera of Ireland had expressed official condolences on the death of Hitler. It was considered possible that these two "neutrals" were still too steeped in mourning to take any action.

News dispatches told of wild demonstrations in Sweden to celebrate the victory to which she had contributed less than nothing.

All the neutral countries had given financial and economic assistance to the Nazis, and may still try to provide a haven of refuge for the hunted war criminals.

FOREIGN BRIEFS

Turin Partisans Boost Output

In Turin's great FIAT factory, when fascist managers were removed by the Italian Committee of National Liberation and people's managers installed, production in two days equaled output of two years under fascism. . . . Emilio SERENI, Communist representative on the Liberation Committee for North Italy and president of the CNL for Lombardy said on Milan radio: "The Liberation Committee is not a party, nor is it an alliance of parties. It is Italy." By adding representatives from the Freedom Volunteers, trade unions, youth front and women's organizations, Sereni asserted, the CNL will be able to govern "with the people and for the people," pending free elections. . . . Col. Charles POLETTI, AMG commissioner for Lombardy and other AMG representatives were pleased to find order and discipline in Milan and expressed their intention to work in close contact with the CNL. "We appreciate what the CNL has done and what it is capable of doing," they said.

Leon DEGRELLE, Belgian Nazi leader, apparently fleeing to Spain, was injured in a (Heinkel) plane crash and then interned in San Sebastian. . . . PRAVDA charged that Franco has permitted Spain to "become an asylum for German and Italian fascists" and has permitted German industry to get a stranglehold on Spanish business. . . . Charging that Franco and the Falangists helped the Nazis, the So-

viet radio asserted: "Punishment will reach the Nazis' 'servants of yesterday and their protectors of today. . . ." Jose Antonio AGUIRRE, President of the Basque government-in-exile, expressed confidence that Basques and Catalans will soon unite with the Negrin government, that formation of a solid anti-Franco front "will be the signal for an uprising in Spain," and that the Franco regime may be ended this year. . . . Indalecio PRIETO, factionalist foe of Premier Negrin, poses as a leader of the Spanish people in San Francisco, and seeks to split the United Nations. At a press conference yesterday he said: "If the democracies abandon Spain today, I prophesy. . . Spain will fall into the zone of Russian influence."

Pravda, commenting on the revelation that 4,000,000 men, women and children were slaughtered in OSWIECIM, wrote: "Were it not for the Red Army, Europe would still be covered with packages of women's hair and crushed human bones trademarked from Oswiecim. . . . Hostages 'freed' by the Allies in Italy include Dr. Hjalmar SCHASHT, former head of the Reichsbank and Hitler's pet finance wizard and August THYSEN, member of the Ruhr industrial family that financed Hitler's rise. . . . Ferenc SZALASI, Nazi puppet premier of Hungary and Anton MÜSERT, organizer of the Dutch Nazis, fell into Allied hands."

WHAT'S ON

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Labor Pledges Full Effort for V-J Day

The CIO, through President Philip Murray, and the AFL executive council yesterday hailed V-E Day but issued solemn reminders that the war against Japan is yet to be won.

Murray commented:

"The world is at last saved from the Nazi menace. Japan is not yet conquered. The courage, patience and superb fighting qualities of our sons and brothers in the fighting forces must still be backed up on the home front. This is no time to quit buying war bonds. For many months yet ahead of us, we must help to meet the pay rolls and to pay the food and supply bills of those great fighters of whom we are justly so proud."

The AFL council said:

"Let us remember that permanent victory in Europe requires more than military action. Let us concentrate now on making that victory fully significant by destroying the hateful things Hitler stood for and by establishing enduring peace."

HALF THE BATTLE

"And let us also remember that thus far we have won only half the battle. The other half still remains in the Pacific. Plenty of hard fighting and hard work will

be required until Japan, too, surrenders unconditionally. Labor will not pause or relax until the entire job is completed and final world-wide victory is won."

In St. Louis, officials of District 8 of the CIO United Electrical, Radio and Machineworkers, said that V-E Day should be marked by unabated war production and determination to unite ranks more firmly to win the peace.

State's Anti-Bias Laws Tabulated

New York State's laws against discrimination, including many which are allowed to gather dust, are tabulated for ready reference in a pamphlet published jointly this week by the International Labor Defense and the National Negro Congress. The pamphlet is titled "It Is Against the Law."

The six-page tabulation of 30 specific prohibitions against discrimination in 17 fields is preceded by quotation of the text of the new law in effect July 1.

V-E Spurs CIO Parley on Vets

V-E Day heightens the importance of the CIO veterans conference which will be held Saturday at the Park Central Hotel, Saul Mills, City CIO secretary, said yesterday.

The conference, which will discuss union aid to veterans on jobs, government benefits, retraining, rehabilitation and other measures needed for civilian life, will hear Mayor La Guardia; Dr. Ernst P. Boas, chairman of the National Physicians Forum, Inc.; Ted F. Silvey, secretary of the National CIO Veterans Committee; Col. Robert C. Cook, of the U. S. Veterans Administration, and Adrian J. Grobstein, assistant national chief of staff of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Experts in the fields of neuro-psychiatric treatment, hospitalization, reemployment, rehabilitation and education are also taking part in the conference.

They include Dr. Emeline P. Hayward, secretary of the Emergency Committee of Neuro-Psychiatric Societies of New York; Harold Cammer, counsel for the New York State and Greater New York CIO, and others. The American Legion will be represented.

The conference opens at 10 a. m. and continues through the day.

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CIO Flays Conspiracy To Kill Wagner Act

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, May 8.—V-E Day for organized labor in the Capital, signified by statements of rejoicing and solemn pledges to continue production until the war with Japan is finished, made by CIO and AFL, was marred by a pending threat to administration of the Wagner Act.

"A dangerous and well-organized conspiracy" is under way to destroy the act, through several proposed riders to the NLRB appropriations legislation now before a House appropriations sub-committee, CIO President Philip Murray declared. Included is a fresh attempt to renew in original form the infamous rider sponsored by John P. Frey, president of the AFL Metal Trades Dept.

The Frey rider would prevent use of NLRB action in any case where a contract has been in effect for three months.

The sub-committee already has accepted one proposal, which cuts \$500,000 from a \$3,348,000 appropriation and would result in a 22 percent reduction in NLRB personnel. Rep. Butler Hare (D-SC) heads the sub-committee.

Defeated in sub-committee, but certain to be fought for by labor-baiters in full committee or on the Senate floor, is a rider which would

prevent the expenditure of NLRB funds "in any case involving the food processing industry," and another doing the same thing in any case involving foremen.

Hundreds of thousands of workers in meat, canning, fish, tobacco, cereals and milling plants and others would be deprived of their rights to organize and bargain collectively.

Campaigning for the proposals behind the scenes are the Michigan automotive lobby, the powerful California citrus lobby headed by Ivan McDaniel, other food interests and Sen. W. Lee (Pappy) O'Daniel (D-Tex) of the anti-labor, pro-fascist Christian-American movement.

Punish War Felons Swiftly, ALP Urges

There must be swift punishment of war criminals and the utter destruction of Nazism, the state office of the American Labor Party said yesterday in a statement on V-E Day.

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Answer to Rickey! A Greater, More Determined Campaign

By NAT LOW

It is impossible to look back upon Monday afternoon's press conference at the Dodger office in Brooklyn—at which Branch Rickey announced the formation of an alleged new Negro baseball league—without suffering the most violent nausea.

It is doubtful if baseball has ever seen a more disgraceful exhibition than the double-talking Rickey put on at that time.

And I think it is high time we called a spade a spade in this business and to warn Rickey—and other magnates whom he might represent—that they will not get away with such maneuvers as Monday's and that they will be forced to abide by the law of our state which says that discrimination in industry is unlawful and punishable.

If it is maneuvers Branch Rickey is seeking he should be forewarned that he will be maneuvered right into a court of law and will have to show cause why the Dodgers refuse to hire qualified Negro players.

Further, Branch Rickey should be told that if he continues to flout the people's oft-expressed will on this vital matter of democracy in baseball the people will find a way to make him understand. The people of this city and the Borough of Brooklyn may be able to convince Rickey by the simple expedient of staying away from Ebbets Field.

And lastly, it is about time Branch Rickey was told that baseball is not solely a private business but a National Pastime and that the Dodgers belong to the people of Brooklyn and must express their wishes.

What arrogance it took for Rickey to "announce" the formation of a new Negro baseball league, when two have already been in existence for 10 years. And what gall to give as the reason the utterly false claim that the leagues are not really leagues and implying that they are not run fairly and honestly!

And to form this so-called league without knowledge or consent of the two great Negro leagues in our country. Imagine Rickey daring to set another house in order when his own is so disgracefully disheveled by the Jimcrow ban.

The 35 or so Negro and white baseball writers at the "conference" were as one in their dismay and disbelief at this highhanded maneuver.

The average man will ask: "What right has Rickey or any other man in the major league to interfere in the running of Negro baseball in our country?"

The answer is no right at all. When Branch Rickey undertook this action he did it with one purpose—to provoke and to divide Negro baseball and thus render it impotent in its struggle to end Jimcrow in the major leagues.

Notice that Rickey has no official connection with this so-called new league yet dares call a press conference in his office and personally issues a public statement announcing the league's formation.

All this in the "interest" and "welfare" of Negro baseball!

The reaction of the Negro writers and editors at the meeting is the guarantee that Rickey's divisive maneuver will utterly fail. The already existing Negro leagues—the National and the American—will continue to receive the support of all baseball fans as they have in the past.

The baseball public will not be beguiled into support of a Rickey-sponsored outfit whose sole aim is to spread confusion and disunite the fans.

And neither will this divisive stunt head off the ever-growing campaign to smash the vicious and rotten ban against Negro players in the major leagues.

If anything, this arrogant and transparent stunt will only serve to enrage all honest and democratic fans who will redouble their efforts to make basketball our truly National Pastime—a great game of the people, for the people and by the people.

And ALL the people!

No Relaxing On War Bonds

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UP).—The collapse of Germany should inspire all America and give us

renewed courage and determination in our fight for total victory," Ted R. Gamble, national director of the War Finance Division of the Treasury said today.

"In thousands upon thousands of American homes there is pride and sadness; from these homes have come our fighting men who died to bring us this far on the road to victory.

"The battle of Japan has just begun. Those who have loved ones in the Pacific know that the war is not over. Japan has four million soldiers strongly entrenched and fortified in China to say nothing of other Japanese troops in the various islands of the South Pacific. We must continue to supply our armies there with clothing, food and fighting materials in unlimited quantities.

"Buying and holding all the war bonds we possibly can is the least that we at home can continue to do."

In Memory of THOMAS RISSANE

Veteran of Abraham Lincoln Brigade who died Jan. 1, 1943 fighting Fascism as a member of the Merchant Marine.

JOHN and JUNE

IN MEMORY OF YETTA ZUCKER

Who Died May 9, 1942

HER FAMILY

Olmo Leads League at Bat

Two surprise package hitters, Luis Olmo of the Dodgers and Tony Cuccinello of the Chicago White Sox, lead the major league batsmen at the end of the first three weeks of competition.

Olmo acquired 123 points by collecting eight hits in nine times at bat against the Phillies Sunday, boosting his average from .286 to a lofty .409. The Puerto Rican was riding the Dodgers' bench for ten days because of weak hitting.

Cuccinello, who spent most of his fifteen big-league years in the National loop, started the season with a bang by working the old hidden-ball play on Manager Lou Boudreau of Cleveland and continued to hit so hard even Skipper Jimmy Dykes was amazed. A .395 mark for eleven games was one reason the Sox were in first place.

Games Today:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

New York at Detroit.
Philadelphia at Chicago.
Washington at St. Louis (night).
Boston at Cleveland.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

St. Louis at Brooklyn.
Pittsburgh at Boston.
Chicago at Philadelphia.
Only games scheduled.

SCORES

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati at New York, postponed, rain.

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Women's Phila. PAC Parley Backs Oaks

PHILADELPHIA.—The Women's Division of the CIO-PAC held their enthusiastic meeting on Dumbarton Oaks and Bretton Woods in the same Bellevue Stratford where Herbert Hoover launched his flank attack on Big Three unity a couple of weeks ago.

11 A.M. TO NOON

11:00-WEAF—Happy Felton Show
WOR—News; Talks; Music
WJZ—Breakfast With Breneman
WABC—Amanda—Sketch
WQXR—Alma Detlinger, News
11:15-WABC—Second Husband
11:30-WEAF—Soldier Who Came Home
WOR—Take It Easy Time
WJZ—News; Music
WABC—Bright Horizon
WMCA—News; Talk—Linda Gray
WQXR—Concert Music
11:45-WEAF—David Harum
WOR—What's Your Idea?
WABC—Aunt Jenny's Stories
11:55-WOR—Lanny and Ginger, Songs

NOON TO 2 P.M.

12:00-WEAF—Don Goddard, News
WOR—News; Music
WJZ—Glamor Manor
WABC—News; Kate Smith's Chat
12:15-WEAF—Talk—Maggi McNellis
WABC—Big Sister
12:30-WEAF—News From the Pacific
WOR—News; The Answer Man
WJZ—News; Women's Exchange
WABC—Helen Trent
12:45-WEAF—Studio Music
WABC—Our Gal Sunday
1:00-WEAF—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—Jack Bundy's Album
WJZ—H. R. Baukhage
WABC—Life Can Be Beautiful
1:15-WOR—Tello-Test—Quiz
WJZ—Rosa Rio, Organ
WABC—Ma Perkins
1:30-WOR—Lopez Orchestra
WJZ—Galen Drake
WABC—Jonathan Cole
1:45-WEAF—Morgan Beatty, News
WOR—John J. Anthony
WABC—Young Dr. Malone

2 P.M. TO 6 P.M.

2:00-WEAF—The Guiding Light
WOR—Cedric Foster, News
WJZ—John B. Kennedy
WABC—Two on a Clue
2:15-WEAF—Today's Children
WOR—Talk—Jane Cowl
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WABC—Rosemary—Sketch
2:30-WEAF—Woman in White
WOR—Queen for Today
WJZ—Johnny Thompson, Songs
WABC—Perry Mason
WQXR—Request Music
2:45-WEAF—Hymns of All Churches
WJZ—Correspondents Abroad
WABC—Tena and Tim
3:00-WEAF—A Woman of America
WOR—Martha Deane Program
WJZ—Appointment With Life
WABC—Time to Remember
3:15-WEAF—Ma Perkins
WABC—On the Record
3:30-WEAF—Pepper Young's Family
WOR—Rambling With Gambling
WJZ—Beautiful Music
3:45-WEAF—Right to Happiness
WABC—Lant Trio, Songs
4:00-WEAF—Backstage Wife
WOR—Jay Johnson, Songs

The Adventures of Richard—

Celebrating V-E Day

By Mike Singer

The kids were playing ball Monday morning (all attend the late shift in school) when they saw Mr. Solario rush from the basement shouting, "It's all over, it's all over."

No-Nose put the ball in his pocket, hitched up his pants and said laconically: "We'll, no school today."

"Whaddya mean no school?" Flekel asked, "how come?"

"Dintcha hear Solario say 'it's all over'?" No-Nose retorted, "that means the war is over. How ya gonna go to school on a day like that?"

The kids nevertheless remained calm. Menash said: "Nobody said no school on V-E DAY, so I ain't takin' no chances."

No-Nose almost shouted: "Howd'ya think Gen. Eisenhower is gonna feel if he hears everybody went to school on the day the war ended. Some patriots!"

"Anyway, let's celebrate," Richard suggested.

But Mr. Solario had his eyes on them and he ran over to kids. "I warn you, no dumpin' ash cans and no bustin' milk bottles, d'ya hear? If I find one piece of glass on the ground I'm gonna make you eat it."

"Wassamatter, you sorry the war's over?" Goober jeered.

But the superintendent was already on his way. The kids stood around thinking for a moment and then No-Nose started up again. "Let's tear up the notebooks and make paper showers like they do in New York."

"Sure, sure," Jimmy asserted, "you haven't got any homework in it anyway, so it makes little difference."

"You know what, Gen. Brains?"

No-Nose asked with a rasp in his tone, "V-E Day or no V-E Day I'm gonna start my own war against you and no kiddin'. You is a regular wet blouse."

"I suppose you mean wet blanket,"

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WLIR—1190 Kc.
WHN—1050 Kc.
WOV—1290 Kc.
WBNY—1480 Kc.
WQXR—1560 Kc.

WJZ—Westbrook Van Voorhis, News
WABC—House Party
4:15-WEAF—Stella Dallas
WJZ—Joe Morrison, Songs
4:25-WEAF—News Reports
4:30-WEAF—Lorenza Jones
WOR—Food and Home Forum
WJZ—Report From Europe
WABC—Feature Story
4:45-WEAF—Young Widder Brown
WJZ—Hop Harrigan
WABC—Danny O'Neil, Songs
5:00-WEAF—When a Girl Marries
WOR—Uncle Don
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
WABC—WACS on Parade
WQXR—News; Music
5:15-WEAF—Portia Faces Life
WOR—Superman
WJZ—Dick Tracy
WQXR—Fun With Music
5:30-WEAF—Just Plain Bill
WOR—House of Mystery
WJZ—Jack Armstrong
WABC—Cimarron Tavern—Sketch
WMCA—News; Jerry Baker, Songs
WQXR—Books Are Bullets
5:45-WEAF—Front-Page Farrell
WOR—Adventures of Tom Mix
WJZ—Captain Midnight
WABC—Wilderness Road
WQXR—Man About Town

6 P.M. TO 9 P.M.

6:00-WEAF—News Reports
WOR—Paul Schubert
WJZ—Kiernan's News Corner
WABC—Quincy Howe, News
6:15-WEAF—Concert Music
WOR—We've Got Your Number
WJZ—What Are the Facts?
WABC—James Carroll, Tenor
6:30-WOR—Fred Vandeventer, News
WJZ—News; Whose War?—Talk
WABC—Eileen Farrell, Soprano
WMCA—New Yorkers at War
6:40-WEAF—Sports—Bill Stern
6:45-WEAF—Lowell Thomas
WOR—Sports—Stan Lomax
WJZ—Peggy Mann, Songs
WABC—The World Today
WMCA—Recorded Music
6:55-WABC—Bob Trout, News
7:00-WEAF—Supper Club, Variety
WJZ—Headline Edition
WABC—Jack Kirkwood Show
WQXR—Lisa Sergio
7:15-WEAF—News of the World
WOR—The Answer Man
WJZ—Raymond Gram Swing
WABC—Variety Musicale
WMCA—Five-Star Final
WQXR—Operetta Scrapbook
7:30-WEAF—Roth Orchestra

WOR—Can You Top This?
WJZ—The Lone Ranger
WABC—Ellery Queen
WMCA—J. Raymond Walsh
WQXR—Treasury of Music

7:45-WEAF—H. V. Kaltenborn
WMCA—Ted Martin, Songs
WHN—Johannes Steel, News
8:00-WEAF—Mr. and Mrs. North
WOR—Cecil Brown
WJZ—Ted Malone—From Overseas
WABC—Jack Carson Show
8:15-WOR—Curt Massey, Songs
WJZ—Lum and Abner
8:30-WEAF—Billie Burke Show
WOR—Barney Grant Show
WJZ—David Harding—Counterspy
WABC—Dr. Christian
8:55-WABC—Bill Henry, News

9 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT

9:00-WEAF—Eddie Cantor, Comedy
WOR—Gabriel Heatter
WJZ—The Road Ahead, with Clifton Fadiman, Emcee
WABC—Frank Sinatra Show
WQXR—News Review
9:15-WOR—San Francisco Conference
WQXR—Manzella, Violin
9:30-WEAF—Mr. District Attorney—Play
WOR—Brownstone Theater
WJZ—Spotlight Band
WABC—Which Is Which?—Quiz
WMCA—Business Forum
WQXR—The Musical Festival
10:00-WEAF—Kay Kyser Show
WOR—Boston Blackie—Play
WJZ—Icebox Follies: Wendell Niles and Don Prindle
WABC—Great Moments in Music
10:30-WJZ—Variety Show
WABC—Let Yourself Go, with Milton Berle, Others
WMCA—Frank Kingdon
WQXR—War Bond Concert
10:45-WMCA—Musical Encores
11:00-WEAF, WOR—News; Music
WABC, WJZ—News; Music
WMCA—News; Harlem Hour
WQXR—News; Just Music
11:05-WJZ—William S. Galmer
11:30-WEAF—Variety Musicale
WABC—Invitation to Music
12:00-WEAF, WABC—News; Music
WJZ, WMCA—News; Music
WQXR—News Reports

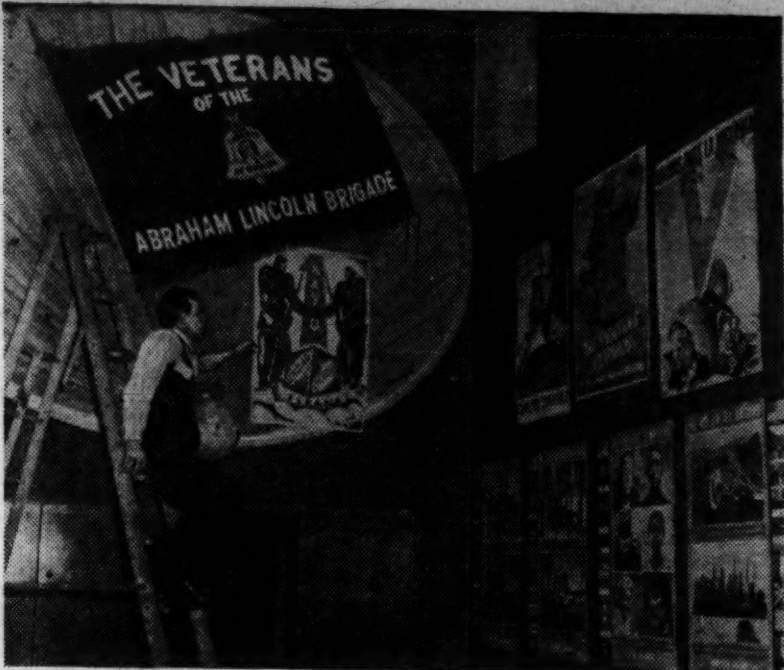
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A Step Forward for Jewish Education

By MARY HIMOFF

On Sunday, May 13, a Conference to create a "School of Jewish Studies" will convene at the Capitol Hotel. The initiating sponsors, in their Call to the Conference, state that "The school of Jewish Studies"

will seek to make accessible to thousands of men and women, many of whom have hitherto had very little contact with Jewish life, knowledge of Jewish life that will deepen the democratic unity of all the American people. It will provide an educational center for the fundamental study of Jewish social, scientific and cultural achievements in the Yiddish, Hebrew and English languages. It will encourage the study of the unforgettable Jewish past, as well as the contemporary life of the world and American Jewish communities."

The sponsors' list represents a cross-section of the New York Jewish community—trade unionists, professionals, white collar people, tradesmen, businessmen, Rabbis and prominent civic leaders.

COURSES IN YIDDISH

The initiators propose that the new School give courses dealing with Jewish history, literature and culture, and the social and economic life of the great Jewish communities throughout the world. They propose that courses be given in both the Yiddish and English languages—to serve the needs of the whole New York community. In addition, the initiators feel that the School should offer Yiddish and Hebrew language courses.

Thus the School will not only satisfy the Jewish educational needs, but will attempt to do it in such a way as to become in itself another factor in the whole movement to unify the Yiddish and English speaking Jews, Jews from all walks of life, of different ideological outlook, religious and non-religious.

The organizers of the May 13 Conference also aim that the pro-

jected School of Jewish Studies "endeavor to aid materially in eliminating the influence of anti-Semitism and racism from American life by promoting mutual understanding and mutual trust."

The great Jewish community of New York City has long felt the need of this type of adult educational institution, in addition to the other Jewish educational institutions that are already on the scene. Such a school can play a role not only in maintaining Jewish culture among American Jews—but also in helping to develop and enrich it further as part of the life and culture of the American nation.

Active non-Jewish leaders in the fight against anti-Semitism in the educational field, in communities, Churches, and trade unions will certainly welcome the creation of a School that will help them to understand the history, problems and life of the Jews—an indispensable weapon for all fighters against anti-Semitism, Jew and non-Jew alike.

PRESERVES PAST

The conference itself should be a historic and exciting event. The sponsors have invited both delegates from organizations and individuals interested in promoting Jewish education. It will be another answer to the plot Fascism had tried to carry through—the extermination of the Jewish people and with them their culture, their history, their literature and all their contributions to mankind.

The fight for Jewish education is an integral part of the struggle to preserve the past of the Jewish people and to rebuild its life in the new democratic world rising out of the destruction of Fascism.

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By ESTHER FREEMONT, prefaced by SAMUEL PUTNAM

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Film Front

Dumbarton Oaks Film Attacked by Sen. Taft

By David Platt

The Dumbarton Oaks film Watchtower Over Tomorrow was attacked on the Senate floor last Thursday by isolationist Sen. Robert A. Taft. In the course of a windy speech on the San Francisco conference, Sen.

Taft laced into the movie for "boosting the Dumbarton Oaks proposals through a wholly unqualified paean of praise." He called it "straight propaganda and not facts."

To his way of thinking any attempt to get together on a plan to outlaw war is propaganda. No doubt his idea of a factual film would be one that would be against a world organization to maintain the peace.



ROOSEVELT FILM

On April 22, The Worker proposed that Hollywood get together on a joint movie memorial to FDR. Since then Melvin Levy, playwright and screenwriter, has made an identical proposal to the Producers Association and to the Council of Guilds and Unions. Levy suggests not a personal biography but the "presentation of an historical period in relation to one man . . . a picture of Roosevelt projected against America and the world." It would be an "industry-wide production" with no compensation to studio or workers.

THE GAY ILLITERATE

The Encyclopedia Britannica has hired Louella Parsons, the gay illiterate who writes a movie gossip column for Hearst, to do the lead article on motion pictures for their new edition. Next we'll be hearing that Marion Drew, who writes a syndicated column on Astrology, has been commissioned to do the lead article on Science in 1944 for the Encyclopedia, or that Earl Wilson, Boswell of the human torso, will write the lead essay on anthropological anatomy. Who can tell?

Columbia Pictures is at work on The Negro Sailor for the U. S. Navy. According to Lt. Comdr. Fanning H. Hearson, officer in charge of the Naval Photographic Services depot,

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the sequel to The Negro Soldier is not being held up by the studio strike. . . .

Some of the pictures under consideration for the coming Second Writers Award Premiere in Hollywood (Tomorrow the World was the first) are This Love of Ours (Warners), screen story of blind Sgt. Al Schmidt by Albert Maltz, A Bell For Adano (20th Fox), Col. Effingham's Raid (20th Fox), The Invisible Army (RKO), story of guerrilla warfare in the Philippines . . .

Ingrid Bergman will play Clara Schumann in MGM's Song of Love, biography of the famous composer Robert Schumann and his wife . . . Ruth McKenney's original tale Too Good To Be True will be filmed at Paramount . . . Michael Curtiz will handle The Life of Will Rogers at Warners . . . Herman Shumlin is at Warners directing Confidential Agent . . . James Cagney Productions will film A Lion Is in the Streets by Adria Locke Langley, a first novel about the rise and fall of a crooked Southern political leader.

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Besides performing for sightless vets, Guili-Guili did a 10-minute show at the bedside of each GI in the hospital wards he visited throughout France, Belgium, and Holland.

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ALP Favors Coalition With Democrats in Mayoralty Race

By MAX GORDON

The guiding principle of the American Labor Party and the CIO in the coming mayoralty race will be the extension of the coalition that carried the state for FDR last fall and the maintenance of clean government, the ALP-CIO Campaign Planning Board announced yesterday.

The Board, made up of state and county leaders of the ALP and national, state and city CIO officials, met yesterday at State ALP headquarters to discuss the situation created by Mayor LaGuardia's withdrawal.

Asked whether this meant an ALP coalition with the Democrats, Hyman Blumberg, Planning Board chairman and State ALP secretary, said it did, provided the Democrats nominated the proper type of candidate.

Asked about William F. O'Dwyer, Blumberg would say only that O'Dwyer has thus far claimed he is not a candidate and that no specific name was discussed at the Planning Board meeting. O'Dwyer is being boomed by several leading Democrats, including the chairmen of Queens and Richmond counties.

HITS LOCAL GOP

Blumberg let it be known that the ALP has no love for the local GOP leadership. He attacked Thomas J. Curran, Gov. Dewey's Secretary of State and New York County GOP leader, for statements made last fall when Curran was a candidate for U. S. Senate. He said, however, the ALP will await the action of both parties on the mayoralty before acting itself.

In its formal statement, the

Planning Board said the men and women chosen to govern New York next year must be "ready to co-operate with the federal government in all phases of the war and postwar programs."

Among the tasks facing the new administration, it enumerated assistance to returning veterans; expansion of social service; collective bargaining rights for civil service employees; elimination of racial and religious discrimination; suppression of the black market; preservation of the 5-cent fare and repair of transit lines; revision of state-city tax relations; broader attack on juvenile delinquency.

Present at the Planning Board meeting besides Blumberg, were Jacob Potofsky of the National CIO Political Action Committee; Louis Hollander, state CIO chairman; Benjamin Fielding, state ALP executive secretary; Ruth Young, Michael Quill and Saul Mills of the city CIO; Harry Chapman, Murray Weinstein, Max Torchin and Ward Cann, chairman, respectively of the ALP in Queens, Bronx, Brooklyn and Richmond; and Eugene Connolly, ALP secretary in Manhattan.

Mayor LaGuardia declined to be drawn into a discussion yesterday with reporters on possible candidates to succeed him.

Told that good government forces were having difficulty finding a candidate around which to unite, LaGuardia replied:

"I understand the forces of bad government just surrendered unconditionally in Germany. That's enough to occupy anybody's attention."

House Body Unanimously Okays Tariff Reduction Plan

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WASHINGTON, May 8.—Renewal of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act "to make possible further tariff reductions," and the calling of an international conference to consider reduction or elimination of trade restrictions, is recommended by the House Postwar Economic Policy and Planning Committee.

The report, for release tomorrow, also indorses the proposed international bank for reconstruction and development, and, while the language is cagey, appears to approve the purposes of the other Bretton Woods proposal, the monetary fund.

It is a unanimous report. The committee is headed by Rep. William M. Colmer (D-Miss) and includes Rep. Jesse P. Wolcott (R-Mich), ranking minority member of the House Banking and Currency Committee considering the Bretton Woods legislation, and seven other Republicans.

Outlining three proposals, the report says: "In some respects, these proposals are similar to those contained in the Bretton Woods agreements for the establishment of an international monetary fund." However, the committee expresses no opinion as to the adequacy of any particular method.

See 4,000,000 U.S. Reserve Army

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UP).—The War Department hopes to maintain a peacetime standing army of 500,000 regulars, backed by 4,000,000 active reservists, members of the House Military Affairs Committee disclosed today.

Nation Lights Up With Victory in Europe

WASHINGTON, May 8 (UP).—President Truman's V-E Day proclamation brought a swift end to one homefront restriction today, the brownout which since Feb. 1 had darkened most of the nation's shop windows, theater marquees and outdoor advertising signs.

The ban on horse racing and the midnight entertainment curfew also may be terminated. This will depend on action taken by War Mobilizer Fred M. Vinson, who will discuss them at an 11 a.m. press conference tomorrow.

Superforts Raid Kyushu Island Again

GUAM, May 8 (UP).—A "substantial" force of Superfortresses today attacked Japan's southernmost airfields on Kyushu Island from which suicide planes have heavily attacked American shipping off Okinawa.

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Thousands of workers celebrated Victory-in-Europe yesterday in the garment center. A picture of President Truman surmounts the speaker's stand, while huge pictures of Roosevelt, Stalin and Churchill were also displayed.
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The Veteran Commander

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IN SPITE of the fact that the heads of the American and British nations have broadcast the fact that war in Europe had come to an end, fighting on the Red Army and Yugoslav Army fronts continues. The fortress of Breslau fell to Soviet troops on Monday, and 40,000 prisoners were taken in it.

The great Latvian enclave still holds out, and so do the small pockets on Frische Haehrung off East Prussia and near the mouths of the Vistula.

Heavy fighting goes on on the approaches to Olomouc (Olmuetz) in Moravia.

Yugoslav troops are storming toward Zagreb and have already captured Ljubljana.

At first glance it would seem that four German army groups are simply running around like a chicken whose head has been chopped off. However, in reality there is less madness and more design in this performance.

In spite of all the surrender instruments which have been signed and countersigned by Soviet representatives, the Nazis and the German General Staff insist on recording the fact that they are fighting Bolshevism to the last breath. Thus they will be able at a later and more appropriate time to claim that they had been "stabbed in the back" by the western democracies while they were trying to save "western civilization."

There is little doubt that the four German army groups still fighting (Group "Kurland" in Latvia, Group A in Silesia and northern Czechoslovakia, Group "Sueden" in southern Czechoslovakia and eastern Austria, and Group E in Yugoslavia) still number no less than a million and a half men.

Thus it becomes quite clear that the showers of ticker tape have been released somewhat prematurely.

A lot of men are still dying in Europe, and the Nazi beast has proved the old adage that a monster's last convulsion can be very dangerous.

Nazi Surrender Ratified in Berlin

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remain in positions occupied at that time.

3—Not to scuttle or damage any ship, vessel or plane.

4—To issue, and to ensure the carrying out of, any orders issued by Eisenhower and the Soviet command.

5—To realize that the surrender will be supplanted by any general instrument of surrender imposed by or in behalf of the United Nations applicable to Germany and the German armed forces as a whole.

DOENITZ' THREAT

By the surrender terms any German troops who remained under arms at 12:01 a.m. today became

guerillas and bandits, deprived of the protection of the laws of war.

Grand-Adm. Karl Doenitz, head of the German government in succession to Adolf Hitler, announced he would seek to remain in office. But he added:

"With the occupation of Germany power has been transferred to the powers of occupation. It is up to them whether I and the government I have appointed can remain in office or not."

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It is up to the Allies whether they will permit Doenitz to remain. He may be tried as a war criminal.

Doenitz asserted that the structure of the Nazi Reich had collapsed and that the Party itself "has left the scene of its activities."

Gen. Eisenhower sent an order of the day to the men and women under him.

He said that even before the final week of the war they had put 5,000,000 Germans permanently out of the war.

"The crusade on which we embarked in the early summer of 1944 has reached its glorious conclusion," he said.

"... Your accomplishments at sea, in the air, on the ground and in the field of supply have astonished the world. ... You have taken in your stride military tasks so difficult as to be classed by doubters as impossible. You have confused, defeated and destroyed your savagely fighting foe. ... full victory in Europe has been attained."

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